

[COAST RECORD.]
ON A STRING

The Sontag Confession
Not Genuine.

So Says Chris Evans from His
Fresno Cell.

He Points Out Some Alleged
Discrepancies

And Says the Statement Was
Made by Others.

Denies He is a Train-robber—A
Woman's Demand on
him.

By Telegraph to The Times.

FRESNO, Oct. 1.—(By the Associate Press.) When George Sontag's mother left here about two weeks ago, she was known to be bitter against the Evans family as to the way in which she was treated with regard to the money forwarded from Minnesota, also as to the sale of the clothes which John Sontag wore during the battle at Stone Creek.

When the report of the confession was received, the correspondent called on Chris Evans at the Jail. Evans was taken into the guard's room and told that George Sontag had made a confession with regard to the Pikes Goshen, Ceres and Collins train-robberies. With a laugh that was not untruthful, he exclaimed: "Bully for him." He was eager to hear the story and was noticeably excited.

placated him in these robberies. "Why says so?" he asked. He was told that the news had been telegraphed from San Francisco. "Just say for me," said he, "that Sontag or any other man who says I ever robbed any train take a life from the beginning to end. If Sontag never made any such statement."

He asked to see the telegram, and the dispatch was shown to him. When he had read it several times he said: "I can prove by dozens of men that I was not there; that I was not in the city at all at home. In no way could I get there without flying, and I'm no angel. This is on a par with that woman Mrs. Pride of South Carolina, who wrote me, since I have been in jail, to tell her that I had killed her son. Six years ago he came to California, a she lost track of him and wrote that he might as well confess that I murdered him, as it couldn't do me any harm as I was in jail."

"I'm thinking of a julep. You may say that I have nothing to confess. The story is made out of whole cloth."

every effort to prejudice the people against me. They have subsidized the press, and now are using every effort to get the doors of the theaters of Fresno and Visalia on the "Evans as Sontag" drama. Well they're come to the job. Pixley, Goshen, Cedar and Collis—that's four of them. Wonder they scratch up a few more? I don't think so. I don't think I care to know what they will do. I am sure that they will make war. I should wonder if they had a dozen men in the trees, around Jim Young's cabin, witnesses to that fight. That would help out the stories of Will Smith a Detective Dutchy, who played the road agent. I don't think I care to know how I, never met George Sontag until January, 1892. I don't think he was on the Coast before that time. Most of these robberies occurred before he came here, which shows that it is safe to get to the coast. I don't think I care to know what Scott's confessional will show up on the list. I've nothing to confess."

When asked if Sontag might not be trying to make terms for himself

tell what pack of lies that fellow is telling. He believed that the scheme was a good one. Jim Hume got him to say something and comfort himself, and announced that he would add another class of classification—criminals for railroad detectives.

IRRIGATION WORKS.

Subscriptions Taken for a Ditch in Escondido District.

SAN DIEGO, Oct. 1.—(By the Associated Press.) Bids for constructing a ditch for the Escondido Irrigation District were opened today. The action in the matter was postponed until tomorrow. The citizens of the town have been giving individual subscriptions toward purchasing bonds of the district, and about \$20,000 has already been secured. Action is to be made, some actual work may soon be accomplished by the district.

BURGLARERS AT SAN JOSE.

A Trio of Hard Characters Caught at Their Work.

SAN JOSE, Oct. 1.—(By the Associated Press.)

Menton was shot in the throat by burglar that he was trying to arrest. Santa Clara early this evening. Frank Jenkins, while passing the residence of Rev. A. H. Needham, heard a crash of glass in the house. He knew something was wrong, as Mr. Needham and his family were in the Methodist Episcopal Church adjoining, of which Mr. Needham is pastor.

Frank Jenkins notified Constable Lovell and returned with them to the house. Menton took his station at the front door and Lovell and Jenkins waited to the rear. Three men were inside. One ran out the back way and was captured by Lovell and Jenkins. The other two came out the front way, and in answer to Menton's demand to surrender

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Bank—Notes and Personals.
Craigie Sharp, commissioner-at-large

The new directors of the Merchants' National Bank met on Friday afternoon and elected officers. According to

The general understanding, as stated in The Times on Saturday, is that the following officers will be elected: Levi Chase, vice-president; Ralph Granger, secretary; vice-president; G. B. Grow, cashier; E. H. Hill, treasurer. Chase is a resident of Main street with the bank for the present as assistant cashier.

Receiver O'Connor of the Consolidated Bank has been sent back from the East daily with the Comptroller's verdict as to what the depositors may expect. The commissioners in their report have said that the affairs of the San Diego and Riverside and San Diego counties incident to the division of San Diego county, California, will be settled by the tax due from the Southern Pacific to the counties San Diego shall have four-fifths and Riverside one-fifth. The tax will be based on the respective mileage in each county.

Horace McPhee, editor of the Ellensburg Press, who has spent the summer in California, has been asked to remove to Riverside.

The entire right-of-way has been secured by the Southern Pacific.

Boach motor to La Jolla, and work will begin as soon as the franchise is granted.

She is a month-old Charles U. Bell, a well-known real estate man, married an attractive young girl, then recently from Arkansas. She was understood to be going to go to the City State, and to be very well off. Bell had known her only about two weeks when he married her. For a while all was lovely. Latterly she has been leading him a chase, running up bills at the stores for him to pay until he was completely broke. She has said that he would not be responsible for any debts she might contract. It is also generally understood that she has been having desperate flirtations with a prominent member of the Methodist Church, and that a divorce suit is pending.



CLOSING THE DIVES.

Two Licenses Expired Saturday Night.

The Places Among the Worst in the City.

The Wind-up of the New Orleans House.

A Final Disgraceful Orgie Held Saturday Night—The Closing Scenes Witnessed at the Louvre.

The revocation by the Police Commission of the saloon licenses for the place on New High street, known as the Louvre and for the New Orleans House, on the north side of East Second street, took effect at midnight Saturday night.

This makes in all, five such places that have been closed, at least temporarily, by the Police Commission on reports as to their disreputable character by the Chief of Police, through Secretary Moffat.

The place at Main and Arcadia streets, known as the Pacific Gardens, was one of the first reported on, and the revocation of its license, for that place took effect September 1.

The proprietor there, however, obtained a license to sell mild drinks, and has, during the past month, been doing so, and keeping otherwise very much such a house as before.

The notorious Joe Chambers's saloon at No. 223 East First street, however, closed since the license was revoked. An application by another man for a permit for saloon license there was presented at the meeting of the Police Commission two weeks ago, and was considered at the last meeting.

The consent of the requisite number of property-owners from that block not having been secured, the application was denied.

M. T. Felchin, the proprietor or manager of the "Louvre" on New High street, formerly known as Kennedy's place, disappeared Saturday morning. It is said that he took with him all the available funds in the cash-drawer, and left to mourn his disappearance the performers, musicians and waiters, to each of whom a week's salary was due.

It is stated that the establishment was considerably indebted to several firms in the city. Felchin, it is believed, knowing that it was his last day, took the opportunity to leave town with the funds on hand before the employees of the place should demand of him their salaries.

The place was running as usual Saturday night, and it was stated that the employees there were for the evening conducting it for themselves. They were taking affairs temporarily into their own hands, and were to divide among them the proceeds of the evening's business, thus making up, in part, for the money due them from the missing proprietor.

It is expected that the booths will now be torn out and the place used for some other purpose.

The closing of the New Orleans House, on East Second street, is believed to be another move in the right direction. A reporter visited the house shortly before 12 o'clock Saturday night in company with an officer, and the scene was a revolting one.

The entrance takes one directly into the barroom, and, as was stated by Secretary Moffat in his report to the Police Commissioners, men and women could be seen drinking together at the bar, to the rear of the barroom, in a room of about the same size, were two or three old lounges, on which were lying young men in advanced stages of intoxication. Had either of them had money on his person, it would have been an easy matter to take it from him.

In a corner of this room were two booths made of wooden partitions and having doorways without doors leading into them. Each of these small rooms had a table within, and around the table were seated men and women who were half tipsy from drink. Some of them were seated in one another's laps, and they were conducting themselves in a disgraceful manner. Beer was being served there.

In an adjoining room there was music, and at intervals the half-drunken couples would dance together. Two or three of the characters of this place have been frequently seen in the dock of the police courts, and all of the frequenters there were well-known to the police as an undesirable class of people to have in the city.

The New Orleans House has now passed into a new management, and it is announced that none of the former patrons of the place are to remain there. The building is to be altered and renovated throughout, and is to be used as a respectable lodging-house.

Jean Rappet, the licensee for whose saloon on Alameda street has been under consideration by the commission, has taken out the wires connecting by annunciator his saloon with some thirty or more of the cribs in that neighborhood.

It was reported last night that a number of saloons in different parts of the city which have usually had their curtains down or up on Sunday so as to hide a plain view of the interior from the street were yesterday looked up tight and that the curtains were withdrawn so that the inside could be plainly seen.

No action has yet been taken by the saloon men toward carrying out the rule relating to side entrances and back rooms, which this matter will probably be considered at the meeting of the commissioners Tuesday.

AN ANCIENT CANAL.

A Discovery in the Crimea of Another Wonder.

(Scientific American.) The Russian engineer Melnikoff writes from Odessa to the Philadelphia Telegraph, describing the ruins of an ancient canal discovered in the Crimea, which he regards as one of the wonders of the world.

At each end of the western side there was a lofty castle, the cubical contents exceeding 750,000 metres. A part of these stones, as these were the stones which the bed of the canal was paved with its entire length, were removed some time ago to build a town which adjoins.

During the Crimean war some of the stones remaining were utilized in the construction of hospitals for the wounded soldiers, which structures are still standing. Along the banks of the canal there are at least six towers, but what purpose they served, unless for defense, is uncertain. There was also a high wall, which extended its entire length. At an equal distance from each end there was a gigantic fortress, built in the form of a square and covering a space of 35,400 square metres.

The canal is as straight as an arrow its entire length, except at this point, where it forms three sides of a square about the fortress. Here there was a smaller canal on the outer side, which may have provided greater security. One of the gateways of the fortress is still partially preserved, and through it passes a dilapidated road. The canal was built by Assand I of Bosphorus in the seventh century B.C., and is nine kilometres long. Mention is made of

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this in the writings of Pliny and Strabo. It passes by the modern town of Percep, and is not far from the Greek city of Neapolis. Its width on the bottom was about five metres, and its depth ten metres. Whether it served formerly as a great and towering fortification or not, it certainly contained water enough to sail ships of considerable burden.

THE BLACK-JACK INN.

Demolition of a Hostelry Familiar to All Readers of Dickens.

(London Daily News.) A few days ago the ancient "hostelry" familiar to readers of Dickens as the "Black Jack," in Portsmouth street, "Clare Market," closed its doors forever, as the entire block of buildings surrounding it is about to be demolished.

The "Black Jack" is the house to which Sam Weller escorted his master when that gentleman was in search of Lawton, Mr. Perker's clerk, on which occasion Mr. Pickwick heard the story of the "Quaker Client," related by the mysterious lawyer's clerk. The "Black Jack" has for many years been a veritable Mecca to the medical students who have successfully braved the terrors of the examination-rooming, and it was customary for them to adjourn to its hospitable bar and duly inscribe the names of the fortunate medics in a register kept in the house for that purpose. Among the signatures to be seen are those of James Paget and Andrew Clarke, together with many others who have since attained celebrity.

The death of the "Black Jack" adds one more to the ghostly taverns which have abounded in the immediate vicinity. The "Spotted Dog," the "White Lion" of Jack Sheppard notoriety, the "Bull's Head," where Hogarth met his brother artists, and the "Spiller's Head," the Savage Club of those days, all stood within a few yards; while the "Angel," another house, claimed immortality as being the place whence in 1554 Bishop Hooper was taken to meet his death at Gloucester. At this inn, so late as 1779, a negro girl was sold. The Public Advertiser on March 28 in that year had the following advertisement: "To be sold, a black girl, 11 years of age. Extremely hardy. Works at her needle tolerably, and speaks English well. Inquire of Mr. Owen, at the Angel Inn."

Disposing of the Dead. (Die Natur Halle.) There is still one place in France in which grave-stones and funeral epitaphs are all unknown. According to Armand, this is the village of Bouzelas, in the Maritime Alps, in the Arrondissement of Thoniers. The village consists of some fifteen houses. Here the dead are not buried, but thrown into a bone-house.

This is an old building covering a superficial area of three square metres, and roofed with slate. The door is open to all. The interior is quite empty; in the middle of the firmly-rotten floor there is a broad board which one can lift with a walking stick. About five feet below one sees bones and naked corpses. At a distance of about thirty metres from the building is a spring, but its waters are regarded with suspicion.

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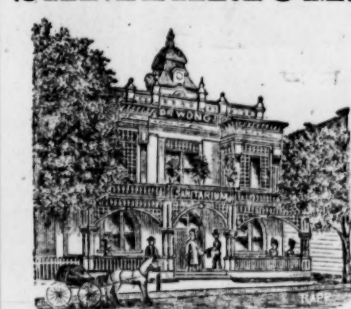
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